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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2003–04 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 598

Introduced by Assembly Member Hancock

February 18, 2003

An act to add Section 17074.24 to the Education Code, relating to public schools.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 598, as amended, Hancock. Facilities modernization: drinking fountains.

Existing law, the Leroy F. Greene School Facilities Act of 1998, requires the State Allocation Board to allocate to applicant school districts, per-unhoused-pupil state funding for construction and modernization of school facilities, including hardship funding, and supplemental funding for site development and acquisition.

Existing law authorizes modernization projects for permanent buildings 25 years or older, or portable classrooms 20 years or older, if the structures have not been previously modernized with state funds. Existing law authorizes use of modernization funds for prescribed purposes, including, but not limited to, construction, utility connection, and other fees.

This bill would require all ~~modernized buildings~~ *modernization projects that include changes or modifications to existing water or plumbing systems*, upon completion of the project, to have fully functional, modern, and sanitary drinking fountains in adequate numbers in accessible locations to properly serve the intended pupil population.

~~This bill would exempt projects seeking to modernize only the drinking fountain systems of a building from the minimum building age requirement, and from the requirement that the building not have been previously modernized with state funds.~~

~~This bill would authorize the board to adjust the per-pupil amount for a project designed to modernize only the drinking fountain systems of a building so as to reflect the reduced costs associated with the limited scope of the project. The bill would permit the subsequent state funding for the modernization of a building, but would authorize the board to adjust the per-pupil amount accordingly.~~

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 17074.24 is added to the Education
2 Code, to read:

3 ~~17074.24. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to~~
4 ~~the contrary, all buildings that are modernized pursuant to this~~
5 ~~chapter~~

6 *17074.24. Modernization projects undertaken pursuant to*
7 *this chapter that include changes or modifications to existing*
8 *water or plumbing systems shall, upon completion of the project,*
9 *have fully functional, modern, and sanitary drinking fountains in*
10 *adequate numbers in accessible locations to properly serve the*
11 *intended pupil population.*

12 ~~(b) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the~~
13 ~~contrary, a school district may submit an application to modernize~~
14 ~~only the drinking fountain systems of a building.~~

15 ~~(2) A project seeking to modernize only the drinking fountain~~
16 ~~systems of a building is exempt from the minimum building age~~
17 ~~requirement set forth in this chapter for modernization projects,~~
18 ~~and is exempt from the requirement that the building not have been~~
19 ~~previously modernized.~~

20 ~~(3) The board may adjust the per-pupil amount for a project to~~
21 ~~modernize only the drinking fountain systems of a building~~
22 ~~pursuant to this subdivision so as to reflect the reduced costs~~
23 ~~associated with the limited scope of the project.~~

24 ~~(4) A modernization project that receives state funds pursuant~~
25 ~~to this subdivision is not ineligible to receive subsequent state~~

1 ~~funding for modernization. However, the board may adjust the~~
2 ~~per pupil amount of a subsequent modernization to take into~~
3 ~~consideration the work performed to modernize the drinking~~
4 ~~fountain systems of a building pursuant to the prior modernization~~
5 ~~pursuant to this subdivision.~~

